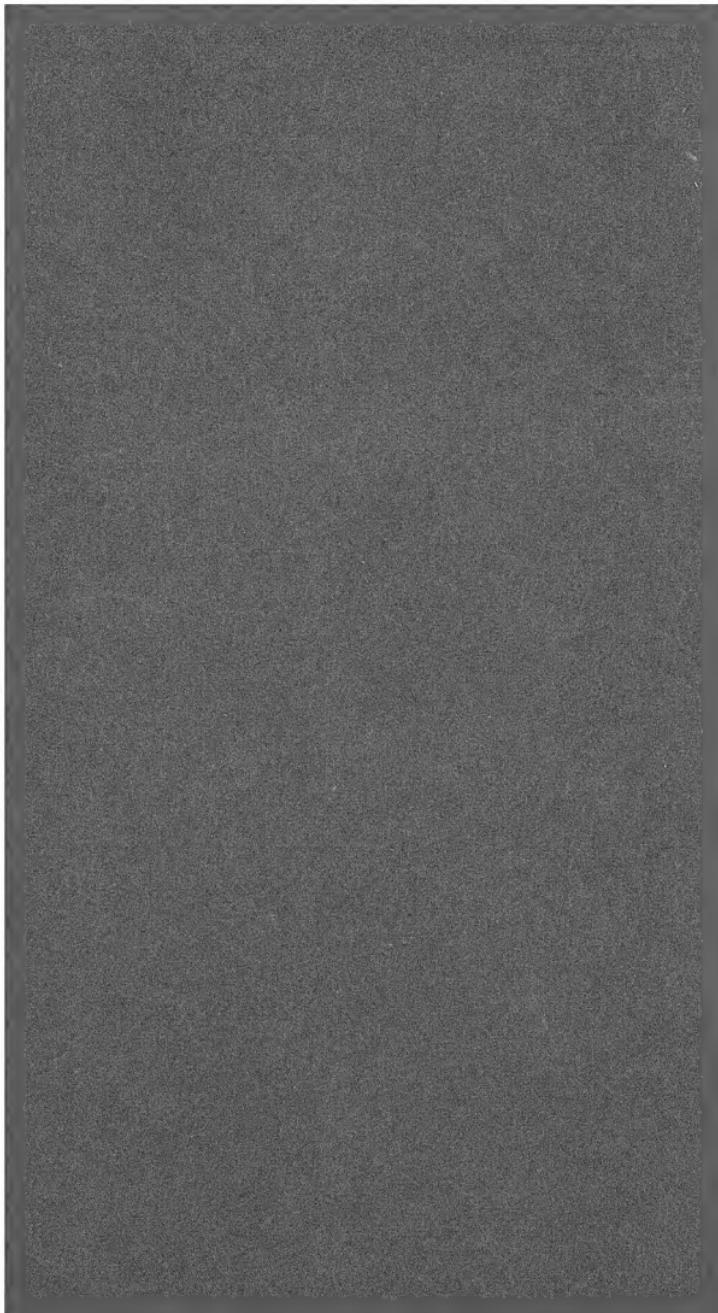


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Article I.

The name of this Lodge shall be the "Edmonton Lodge of Perfection," Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

Article II.

Section 1. The Regular Meetings of this Lodge shall be held on the first Friday of every month at 20 o'clock.

Article III.—Duties of Officers

Section 1. The duties of the officers respectively shall be those required by the laws and usages of the A. and A.S. Rite, but especially in the case of the Excellent Grand Treasurer and Excellent Grand Secretary, those hereinafter specified.

Section 2. Duties of the Excellent Grand Treasurer: The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the Secretary and deposit the same forthwith in a chartered bank to the credit of "Edmonton Lodge of Perfection." He shall keep a true account of the same and pay by cheque, on orders signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the T.P.G.M. (or in his absence by one of the Wardens), all accounts approved by the Lodge. He shall, annually, at the meeting in February, and whenever required exhibit a statement of his account with vouchers.

Section 3. Duties of the Excellent Grand Secretary: The Excellent Grand Secretary shall keep a correct record of all the transactions of this Lodge, proper to be written, including a

list of members and visitors present at each meeting; also a correct account between the Lodge and each of its members; collect all moneys due the Lodge and pay same over to the Excellent Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor; issue orders on the Treasurer, countersigned by the T.P.G.M. (or in his absence by one of the Wardens), as may be ordered by the Lodge; have the custody of the seal; issue all notices and summonses when required to do so; keep a list of all petitions for degrees or affiliation, and of all suspensions, expulsions, reinstatements and rejections, exhibit annually, at the meeting in February, a statement of his account with the Lodge.

Article IV.—Fiscal Year

The books of the Lodge shall be closed on the thirty-first day of December in each year.

Article V.—Committees

Section 1. An Audit Committee, to consist of two members, shall be elected annually by the Lodge at the regular meeting in February, whose duty it shall be to audit and examine the books and accounts of the Excellent Grand Treasurer and Excellent Grand Secretary, and make a report thereon at the next regular meeting. The books of the Excellent Grand Secretary and Excellent Grand Treasurer shall, at all times, be at the disposal of this Committee upon their application for the same.

Section 2. A Committee on Furniture and Paraphernalia shall also be appointed by the T.P.G.M. at the same time, who shall report as occasion may require, and in whose charge shall be placed all the property of the Lodge.

Article VI.—Degrees and Membership

Section 1. Every member, at the time of his affiliation or admission, shall sign the By-laws and receive a copy of the same.

Section 2. A member of this Lodge of Perfection suspended from his Master Masons' Lodge for any cause, shall, *ipso facto*, become

suspended from this Lodge of Perfection until such time as he may be reinstated in the body from which he has been suspended.

Section 3. A member of this Lodge of Perfection who has attained the rank of Sovereign Prince Rose Croix, Knight Kadosh or Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, and shall allow himself to become suspended from membership from either Chapter, Council or Consistory, shall, *ipso facto*, be suspended from membership in this Lodge of Perfection until such time as he may be reinstated in the body from which he has been suspended.

Article VII.—Working and Procedure

The Lodge being opened, shall be governed by the following rules of order, viz.:

1. Reading Summons.
2. Reading and Confirming Minutes.
3. Correspondence and Accounts.
4. Reports of Committees.
5. Receiving Petitions.
6. Balloting for Candidates.
7. General Business.
8. Conferring Degrees.

The T.P.G.M. may alter the above order of procedure at his discretion.

Article VIII.—Fees and Dues

Section 1. The fee for admission into this Lodge shall be fifty dollars.

Section 2. The fee for affiliation shall be two dollars.

Section 3. The annual dues shall be six dollars, payable in advance on the second day of January.

Article IX.—Arrears

Section 1. All members in arrears for two years shall be notified by the Excellent Grand Secretary, and he shall read their names at the first regular meeting thereafter. Any member who fails after such notification for one month,

to pay, or show cause for not paying, shall be summoned to show cause why he should not be suspended from the rights and privileges of this Lodge; and should such member without sufficient reason fail to show cause within two months after the date of the summons, he shall shall be suspended from all rights and privileges of this Lodge.

Section 2. If within one year from the date of suspension the delinquent member shall pay the amount due at the date of suspension, the T.P.G.M. may, without a vote of the Lodge, declare him reinstated, which fact shall be entered on the records and entitle him to full membership in the Lodge. If payment be not made within one year from the date of suspension, he can only be reinstated by a majority vote of the Lodge upon a petition therefor. The Petition must be presented at a regular meeting of the Lodge and must not be acted upon before the next regular meeting thereafter, notice of such petition having been inserted in the notice calling such meeting. If at any time a petition for restoration is presented to the Lodge, accompanied by an application for a dimitt, the petitioner (if no charge for unmasonic conduct stands against him) may be restored only by a two-thirds vote by ballot of the members present at any regular meeting, and a dimitt granted upon such petition for restoration. All petitions for restoration must be accompanied by the amount of dues in arrears at the date of suspension, or such other sum as the Lodge may by resolution decide to accept.

Article X.—Life Members

Section 1. Any member of this Lodge may become a life member on payment of the sum of One-Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars, the dues previously paid by the member to be considered a payment on account of the life membership when application is made.

Section 2. Life members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of ordinary members, subject to Sections 2 and 3 of Article VI.

Article XI.—Honorary Members

No brother shall become an honorary member of this Lodge until he has been proposed and seconded at one regular meeting and his name inserted in the summons for the next regular meeting, at which he must be elected by a unanimous vote by ballot.

Article XII.—Re-Admission of Members

Should a member withdraw from this Lodge or cause his name to be erased from the books, he shall not be re-admitted without a ballot and affiliation fee as fixed by By-law, Article VIII, Section 2.

Article XIII.—Amendments

No alteration shall take place in these By-laws unless the said alteration be proposed at a regular meeting. A copy of the proposed alteration shall be inserted in the summons for the ensuing regular meeting, when it shall require the consent of two-thirds of the members present and the same shall become law when sanctioned by the Supreme Council.

We hereby certify that the foregoing By-laws were ratified at a regular meeting of Edmonton Lodge of Perfection of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, G.E.P.S.M., 14° under the Supreme Council, 33° for the Dominion of Canada, held in the Masonic Hall at the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, on Friday, the first day of June, A.L. 5928, A.D. 1928.

(Sgd.) W. T. STEWART,
T.P.G.M.

[SEAL]

C. E. McMANUS,
Ex. Grand Secretary.

(Sgd.) E. A. BRAITHWAITE 33°
Dep. for Alberta

Approved February 4th, 1929

(Sgd.) ALFRED F. WEBSTER 33°

